Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to the motion to concur in the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 2471, Consolidated Appropriations Act.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Thirty-four bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3789–3822, S. Res. 541–543, and S. Con. Res. 33.

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Measures Reported:

S. 2533, to improve mammography services furnished by the Department of Veterans Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 2687, to provide the Inspector General of the Department of Veterans Affairs testimonial subpoena authority.

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Measures Passed:

Enrollment Correction: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 79, directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make a correction in the enrollment of H.R. 2471.

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Further Continuing Appropriations: Senate passed H.J. Res. 75, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2022.

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American Fisheries Advisory Committee Act: Senate passed S. 497, to establish the American Fisheries Advisory Committee to assist in the awarding of fisheries research and development grants.

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National 'Slam the Scam' Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 543, designating March 10, 2022, as "National 'Slam the Scam' Day" to raise awareness about pervasive government imposter scams, and to promote education to prevent government imposter scams.

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Measures Considered:

Military Sale to the Government of Egypt: By 19 yeas to 80 nays (Vote No. 73), Senate rejected the motion to discharge the Committee on Foreign Relations of S.J. Res. 35, providing for congressional disapproval of the proposed foreign military sale to the Government of Egypt of certain defense articles and services.

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House Messages:

Consolidated Appropriations Act: By 68 yeas to 31 nays (Vote No. 78), Senate agreed to the motion to concur in the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 2471, making consolidated appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2022, and for providing emergency assistance for the situation in Ukraine, by the order of the Senate of Thursday, March 10, 2022, 60 Senators having voted in the affirmative, and after taking action on the following motions and amendments proposed thereto:

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Rejected:

By 49 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. 75), Lee Amendment No. 4989, to prohibit funding for COVID-19 vaccine mandates.

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By 35 yeas to 64 nays (Vote No. 76), Braun Amendment No. 4990, to prohibit funds from being used for earmarks.

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By 35 yeas to 64 nays (Vote No. 77), Kennedy/Cassidy Amendment No. 4983, to provide emergency assistance for disaster response and recovery, and for other expenses, directly related to Hurricanes Laura, Delta, and Ida and to provide assistance for the Port Infrastructure Development Program. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, was not agreed to.) Pages \$1109-10

Withdrawn:

Schumer motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill, with Schumer Amendment No. 4984 (to the House amendment to the Senate amendment), to add an effective date.

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Schumer motion to refer the bill to the Committee on Appropriations, with instructions, Schumer Amendment No. 4986, to add an effective date.

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During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

Schumer Amendment No. 4985 (to Amendment No. 4984), to modify the effective date, fell when Schumer motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill, with Schumer Amendment No. 4984 (listed above) was withdrawn.

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Schumer Amendment No. 4987 (to the instructions (Amendment No. 4986) of the motion to refer), to modify the effective date, fell when Schumer motion to refer the bill to the Committee on Appropriations, with instructions, Schumer Amendment No. 4986 (listed above) was withdrawn.

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Schumer Amendment No. 4988 (to Amendment No. 4987), to modify the effective date, fell when Schumer Amendment No. 4987 (listed above) fell.

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Appointments:

National Security Commission on Emerging Biotechnology: The Chair, on behalf of the Ranking Member of the Senate Committee on Armed Services, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 117–81, appointed the following individuals to serve as members of the National Security Commission on Emerging Biotechnology: Senator Young and Dr. Alexander J. Titus of New Hampshire. Page S1132

National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity: The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, pursuant to Public Law 110–315, announced the appointment of the following individual to be a member of the National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity: Zakiya Smith Ellis of New Jersey vice Dr. Paul LeBlanc of New Hampshire.

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Board of Visitors of the U.S. Air Force Academy: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 9355(a), appointed the following Senator to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Air Force Academy: Senator Hickenlooper (At Large).

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Young Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Shalanda D. Young,

of Louisiana, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and pursuant to the unanimous-consent agreement of Thursday, March 10, 2022, a vote on cloture will occur at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, March 14, 2022.

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Prior to the consideration of this nomination, Senate took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. Page S1132

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 3:00 p.m., on Monday, March 14, 2022, Senate resume consideration of the nomination; and that the motions to invoke cloture filed during the session of Thursday, March 10, 2022, ripen at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, March 14, 2022.

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Grundmann Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Susan Tsui Grundmann, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Labor Relations Authority.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of Shalanda D. Young, of Louisiana, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

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Prior to the consideration of this nomination, Senate took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session. Page S1132

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. Page S1132

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 80 yeas to 19 nays (Vote No. EX. 74), Maria L. Pagan, of Puerto Rico, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative (Geneva Office), with the rank of Ambassador.

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George J. Tsunis, of New York, to be Ambassador to Greece.

Peter J. Beshar, of New York, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Air Force.

Christopher R. Hill, of Rhode Island, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Serbia.

Randi Charno Levine, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Portuguese Republic.

Laura Farnsworth Dogu, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Honduras.

N. Nickolas Perry, of New York, to be Ambassador to Jamaica.

Corey Wiggins, of Mississippi, to be Federal Cochairperson, Delta Regional Authority.

Routine lists in the Foreign Service. Page S1133

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Rita M. Landgraf, of Delaware, to be Assistant Secretary for Aging, Department of Health and Human Services.

Roselyn Tso, of Oregon, to be Director of the Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services, for the term of four years.

William Carl Blake, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Asset and Infrastructure Review Commission.

Michael Blecker, of California, to be a Member of the Asset and Infrastructure Review Commission.

Shereef M. Elnahal, of New Jersey, to be Under Secretary for Health of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Christina Orzada Hill, of Georgia, to be a Member of the Asset and Infrastructure Review Commission.

Joyce M. Johnson, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Asset and Infrastructure Review Commission.

Lucretia Maria McClenney, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Asset and Infrastructure Review Commission.

Patrick J. Murphy, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the Asset and Infrastructure Review Commission.

Jose R. Ramos, of Texas, to be a Member of the Asset and Infrastructure Review Commission.

Jonathan Woodson, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Asset and Infrastructure Review Commission.

- 1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.
- 1 Army nomination in the rank of general.
- 1 Coast Guard nomination in the rank of admiral. Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Navy, and Space Force. Page S1133

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Record Votes: Six record votes were taken today. (Total—78)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 10:27 p.m., until 3 p.m. on Monday, March 14, 2022. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1133.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

INDO-PACIFIC COMMAND AND U.S. FORCES KOREA

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded open and closed hearings to examine the posture of United States Indo-Pacific Command and United States Forces Korea, after receiving testimony from Admiral John C. Aquilino, USN, Commander, United States Indo-Pacific Command, and General Paul J. LaCamera, USA, Commander, United Nations Command, Combined Forces Command, and United States Forces Korea, both of the Department of Defense.

ENERGY

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the use of energy as a tool and a weapon, and ensuring energy security for the United States and its allies, after receiving testimony from Jonathan H. Elkind, Columbia University Center on Global Energy Policy, Silver Spring, Maryland; Michelle Michot Foss, and Kenneth B. Medlock, III, both of Rice University James A. Baker III Institute for Public Policy Center for Energy Studies, and Colette Hirstius, Shell USA, Inc., all of Houston, Texas; and Melanie Kenderdine, Energy Futures Initiative, Washington, D.C.

U.S. SECURITY COOPERATION AND ASSISTANCE

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine United States security cooperation and assistance, after receiving testimony from Jessica Lewis, Assistant Secretary of State; and Mara E. Karlin, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Strategy, Plans, and Capabilities.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Krista Anne Boyd, of Florida, to be Inspector General, Office of Personnel Management, and Dana Katherine Bilyeu, of Nevada, Leona M. Bridges, of California, and Stacie Olivares, of

California, who were both introduced by Senator Padilla, Michael F. Gerber, of Pennsylvania, who was introduced by Senators Casey and Toomey, and Javier E. Saade, of the District of Columbia, who was introduced by Senator Luján, each to be a Member of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Sunshine Suzanne Sykes, and Sherilyn Peace Garnett, both to be a United States District Judge for the Central District of California, Jennifer Louise Rochon, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, Nina Morrison, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York, Trina L. Thompson, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California,

and Paul Monteiro, of Maryland, to be Director, Community Relations Service, Trina A. Higgins, to be United States Attorney for the District of Utah, and Jane E. Young, to be United States Attorney for the District of New Hampshire, all of the Department of Justice.

WORLDWIDE THREATS

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee concluded open and closed hearings to examine worldwide threats, after receiving testimony from Avril Haines, Director of National Intelligence; William J. Burns, Director, Central Intelligence Agency; Lieutenant General Scott D. Berrier, Director, Defense Intelligence Agency, and General Paul Nakasone, Director, National Security Agency, and Commander, U.S. Cyber Command, both of the Department of Defense; and Christopher Wray, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet at 10 a.m. on Friday, March 11, 2022.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 11, 2022

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE 3 p.m., Monday, March 14

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 10 a.m., Friday, March 11

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Shalanda D. Young, of Louisiana, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget, and vote on the motion to invoke cloture thereon at 5:30 p.m.

House Chamber

Program for Friday: House will meet in Pro Forma session at 10 a.m.



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